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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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À	Advisory Action	09/650,177	CORDERY ET AL.				
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	The MAILING DATE of this communication appe	ears on the cover sheet with the c	correspondence address				
THE REPLY FILED 06 February 2003 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.							
	PERIOD FOR RE	EPLY [check either a) or b)]					
	a) The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.						
b) L	event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later th ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS 706.07(f).	an SIX MONTHS from the mailing date o FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF TH	f the final rejection. E FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP				
Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).							
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on <u>06 February 2003</u> . Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.							
2.	The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered b	ecause:					
(a)	$\hfill \square$ they raise new issues that would require furth	er consideration and/or search ((see NOTE below);				
(b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);							
(c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or							
(d) they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.NOTE:							
3.	Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejec	tion(s):					
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).							
5. ☐ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☐ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.							
6.	The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered be raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.	cause it is not directed SOLELY	to issues which were newly				
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) will not be entered or b) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.							
	The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:						
	Claim(s) allowed:						
Claim(s) objected to:							
	Claim(s) rejected:						
	Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:						
8.	The proposed drawing correction filed on is	a) approved or b) disapp	proved ty the Examiner.				
	Note the attached Information Disclosure Stateme		IOII				
10.□ Other:							
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Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: To one of ordinary skill it would have been obvious to use the register of Payne to obtain any good or service.